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The Venezuela Dispute.

The special message sent to Congress Tuesday by the President, in transmitting the Venezuelan correspondence, will be very apt to give some of the cuckoo statements a fit or nervous prostration. Every reference to the Monroe doctrine in connection with this and other foreign questions has been designated by these time servers as "jingoism." It made no difference how dignified the language, or how unsavory the argument might be in support of a recognition of the principles of this doctrine the cluck at ways struck on the hour and the cry was always the same.

Whether it is due to the infusion of new blood in the office of the Department of State or whether the President's desire was for a change shot at the ducks has had a voice, placing before him all the mistakes of his foreign policy in other directions we are unable to state for the fact remains from whatever source it comes, the message is a flat-footed declaration in support of the Monroe doctrine. The President states that in the belief that the doctrine for which we contend was clear & distinct, but it was founded upon substantial consideration and weighed our safety and welfare that it was fully applicable in our present condition and the state of the world, & goes on to say that it was directly related to the pending controversies and without any conviction of the merits of the dispute, but to exert to the utmost satisfaction and conclusive manner whether Great Britain acts right or wrong in this country still in office, on this question she merely sought an opinion of territory fairly included within the lines of ownerhip. In Germany he proposed to the government of the British Empire a conference of plenipotentiaries for settling the question, but recognition having been decided upon grounds which under the circumstances seem to me to be far from satisfactory, the President declares that the course of this over-much does not admit of serious doubt. Assuming that Venezuela will remain unchanged in her position to the proposition of Great Britain the President asserts that it is convenient up to the United States to take measures to determine with sufficient certainty for its duration what is the true division line between Venezuela and British Guiana for which purpose he recommends in preparation to meet the exigencies of a collision to make the necessary investigation with the least possible delay. When such commission makes its report and it is accepted by the President it is to be the duty of the United States to resist by every means in its power a wilful aggression upon its rights and to test the opportunity of Great Britain by any means or the exercise of governmental jurisdiction over any territory which after investigation, we have determined of right belongs to Venezuela. In conclusion the President declares that he is fully alive to the responsibility incurred but added, "There is no clearer sign of a great nation can indicate which cause which it shows a superior submission to wrong and injustice and the consequent loss of national self-respect and honor which which is strained and defended a sturdy safety and greatness."

It has long been a rule of American statesmen with whom we are glad to credit the President even if it be but to show that he will have to stand as king as this is exactly the doctrine heretofore demanded by many of his adherents as jingoism. The spirit of the message will doubtless find a ready response in Congress which will welcome this gratifying if tardy assertion of American principles.

Maine State Grange.
The Maine State Grange is in this city Tuesday and Wednesday, when it extends to the members of this large and important organization a most cordial greeting. We place before our readers this morning the full text of the admirable address delivered by W. H. Master Wiggin and command it to be careful attention of all who are interested in the welfare of the State. There may and doubtless will be an honest difference of opinion as to some of the matters touched upon, notably the question of taxation, but the address dealing as it does with the greatest question of agriculture, which plays so important a part in the interests of the State, deserves the careful consideration of the business man as well as the farmer. In the main, what is good for the former is good for business generally, for he is stated by the Worthy Master that agriculture is the basis of foundation of all our prosperity, and when agricultural languishes all other industries feel the depression.

We are glad to note that the Maine State Grange is not only increasing in the scope of its useful work, but that the organization as a whole is in a prosperous and healthy condition. There has been a net gain in membership of 1,000 Penobscot County leads in the number of Granges and is second in membership having 2,172 members as against 2,416 in Androscoggin County. In reviewing the past year Mr. Wiggin says "at no time in the history of the order in Maine has the Grange had a stronger hold upon the affections of its members, and never has it stood so high in the respect and esteem of all classes throughout the State." This is as it should be and the condition is one for congratulation outside as inside the Grange. It is doing a good work in broadening the mind of the farmer through its educational tendencies, bringing him into closer and better relations with his fellow men, securing for him the benefits to be derived from earnest discussion of all his interests, and cultivating social as well as agricultural interests.

Any organization that has for its end the improvement of the interests of so large a class of our citizens as is included under the head of agriculture is one that deserves well of the whole people. Such is the purpose of the State Grange, which is today a welcome visitor in our city.

Sherman's Book.

Possibly no book of modern time has excited more comment than Senator Sherman's "Recollections of Forty years in the House, Senate and Cabinet." It has already led to much controversy, owing to some of its sharp passages growing out of the Senator's disappointed Presidential aspirations in the discussion of which Mr. Sherman does not hesitate to censure freely those to whom he attributes his failure, whether mistakenly or otherwise. But however people may disagree with certain personal features of the book, it is bound to take rank as one of the important contributions to the political literature of

the century. Coming as it does from the pen of one who has been a leading figure in the counsels of the nation, and who stands preeminent as one of the greatest financial authorities of the age in which we live, it could not well be otherwise. The work has already had a wonderful circulation and promises rich returns to the author and publishers. From an extended review of the book written for the Review of Reviews by E. Benjamin Andrews we make the following quotations:

Easy HOOD'S PILLS Cure RIVERILLS

To buy, take and carry in effect
characteristics peculiar
to Hood's Pills. They
are small, easily
poured, and purely
sugary. They act gently but thoroughly
and satisfactorily. They do not irritate
or inflame the intestines, but leave them
in natural, healthy condition, 25 cents

RAILROADS.
MAINE CENTRAL RAILROAD.
ARRANGEMENT OF TRAINS.
In Effect Dec. 8, 1895.

Until further notice, trains will leave Bangor
as follows:

7:00 A.M.—For St. Stephen, Moosehead Lake,
Limestone, and all points East of Bangor to
Venezuela.

7:45 A.M.—For Oldtown and Milliron.

8:00 P.M.—For Oldtown, Limestone, Moosehead
Lake, and all points East of Bangor to Venezuela.

8:30 P.M.—For Greenville, Limestone, Moosehead
Lake, and all points East of Bangor to Venezuela.

9:00 P.M.—For Greenville, Limestone, Moosehead
Lake, and all points East of Bangor to Venezuela.

10:30 P.M.—For Waterford and way west to
Venezuela.

11:30 P.M.—Mixed, for Waterford and way
west to Venezuela.

12:30 M.—Mixed, for Waterford and way
west to Venezuela.

1:30 P.M.—Flying Yankee, through Far
Car running via Augusta to Newport, Vt.,
and thence to Venezuela.

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TAKING CHANCES.

WOMEN ARE CARELESS.

Their Over-Estimate Their Physical Strength. Advice to Young Women.

SPECIAL.—OUR LADY READERS.

Women are very apt to over-estimate their strength and overdo it.

When they are feeling particularly well, the most active work which may long run cause them much pain and trouble. This is due largely to their not realizing how much physical exertion is.

The girl who has just become a woman can hardly be induced to take exercise, as it is new to her. She, however, should be told, and every woman should realize that to be well and strong periods should be regular. Wet feet or a cold iron exposure, may suppress or retard muscular and pulmonary functions and perhaps sow the seed for future ill health.

—*Handy's Vegetable*

Compound will ever be the instilling

in such cases as well as of the

peculiar ailments of women.

Millions of women have

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Vernell tells plainly what it has done for

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Lydia L. Pinkham's Vegetable

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